

Social and PERSONAL

THE FOURTH was pleasantly celebrated at the Country club. A large representation of the membership enjoyed the breezes among the pines, after the breathless and murky heat of the afternoon.

The golf match was won by Mr. W. J. Torrey's team. Mr. James Linn was first, Mr. T. H. Brooks second. The fireworks were remarkably fine—and went off most successfully and happily, because of the impending thunder storm, but were none the less enjoyed. It was better to have them expend themselves in swift and fiery succession than to see them splutter and fizzle beneath the drenching rain, which soon swept down the valley.

Bauer's band gave a fine concert, and the evening was one to be remembered in the brief annals of the Country club.

The last of the early summer scenes of golf events was concluded on Saturday. There is no scheduled plan for today, but it is probable that a mixed handicap will be made up from the large number of persons who are sure to be on the links. The Country club has never been so popular as this summer.

It has been suggested that a base ball game might be played this afternoon, between the married and single men at the club. Whether or not this exciting event will come off will probably depend on the energy of the thermometer.

Mr. J. H. Brooks has been at Gordon City this week attending the national golf tournament, which will close today. This is Mr. Brooks' first entry in a national tournament and he distinguished himself by putting out his man on the first day. He has made a most creditable record during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kennedy have felt a sense of personal loss because of the Hoboken fire. They made their return trip on the Sault on her last voyage and had become deeply attached to Captain Mirov, who suffered such a frightful death on board his ill-starred vessel.

A camping party which will spend this month at Lake Winola will be composed of Raymond Sanderson, Leon Griffin, Farnham Mearns, Archie Deans, Ralph Allen Burns, McNair Phillips, William Derry and others.

A camping party, which will spend this month at the Country club, will consist of Messrs. M. H. Fuller, A. G. Hunt, James Blair, Jr., J. H. Brooks, W. J. Torrey, H. D. Merrill, Theo. Fuller, F. P. Fuller and others. They will camp among the pines, on the upper links, and take their meals at the club house.

Miss Hull gave an informal dancing party on Thursday night at her home in Green Ridge.

Miss Ella Shaw, of North Hyde Park avenue, tendered her guests, Misses Rosenzweig and Bevan, of West Pittston, a reception at her home Wednesday afternoon and evening. The affair was one of pleasure and was thoroughly enjoyed. Those present were:

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Misses Diana Rosenzweig, Hattie Boyan, Mabel Spencer, Lavina Knapp, Ella and Stella Shaw and Messrs. Robert Bradley, Jasper Jones, Robert Carson and Walter James.

Miss Brooke, of Philadelphia, and Miss Sturges are guests of Miss Jeanie Dimmick, on North Washington avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Dimmick entertained informally in their honor during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Vandling are now permanently settled in one of the most charming homes in this city. The residence, it will be remembered, was that formerly owned by Mr. A. E. Hunt, at the corner of Pine and Jefferson avenues, and was always a most attractive place. The new owners have made many changes in the interior, chief of which may be found in the dining room, where a massive sideboard and china cabinets have been built. The room is unique, however, in its hangings, the walls being entirely covered by tapestry, and paintings of hunting scenes. The work was done by a well-known New York artist, and is complete in interest both from the beauty of execution and the excellence of subject. Several of the pictures are the splendid eleven ones by Frost. The landscape effects, the dogs and birds, and the listening figures with guns, form an endless source of pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Vandling are also the possessors of some exceptional pieces of furniture, of rare old design and rich carving. A third-floor room, which Mr. Vandling has fitted up as a den for himself, contains some fine specimens of Flemish oak in antique shapes. The pet piece of furniture, according to his views, is a Mauser rifle, probably the only one to be found in this region.

Colonel H. M. Boles accompanied Cadwallader Biddle, of the State Board of Charities, on a visit to several institutions in the city this week. The Colonel and the visitors expressed much satisfaction with the conditions, evident.

A party which spent the day at the Siskim cottage was composed of Mrs. B. H. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Davenport, Miss Pratt, Miss Edith Norton, Miss Epitaph, of Elmira; Mrs. Montgomery, of New York; Messrs. Walker, Powell and Sanders.

Among the picnic parties at Lake Henry on the Fourth were Messrs. J. and J. S. McNulty and their families.

Miss Mabel Yost was married on Thursday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. F. Yost, to Mr. Charles Herbert Hall, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. Moffat. The

wedding was a pretty one and was attended by the immediate friends of the bride and groom.

Mr. Gilbert Murphy and Miss Daisy L. Hornbaker were united in marriage by Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce, D. D., at the parsonage of the Penn Avenue Baptist church on Fifth avenue Wednesday afternoon, July 1th. The bride and groom were attended by a circle of relatives. Miss Lillian Miller, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and William Murphy, brother of the groom, was best man. The contracting parties are among the most popular young people of the Penn Avenue church, and will enter upon their new relations with the well wishes of a large circle of friends. Sergeant Murphy is a member of the Thirteenth regiment, and during the Spanish-American war was division color bearer on the division staff. They will reside in Scranton.

Miss Helen Stevens is at the Thousand Islands. Mr. W. D. Steiner and family are at Altonhurst.

J. W. Guernsey is on a business visit to New York.

Miss Katherine Pratt is the guest of Easton friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bevan, of Quincy avenue, are at Toronto.

Mr. George Sharp will spend the summer at Lake Ariel.

Charles W. T. Harbut has left for his vacation in Ontario, Canada.

Miss Amy Norton has been the guest of Miss Mabel Schlager at Elmira.

Mrs. G. E. Reynolds and children are at Ocean Grove for the summer.

Mr. Frank Wolfe has gone to Waverly, N. Y., to attend the funeral of his mother.

Charles P. Kempton is dangerously ill with pneumonia, at the Scranton Private hospital.

Miss Cogrove, of Newark, N. J., is visiting at the home of John McCallister, of Sanderson avenue.

Miss Sheller and the Misses Lovell, of Elgin, O., are guests of Colonel and Mrs. L. A. Walter, at Monticello Lake.

Miss Grace Norton, of Mulberry street, who went to New York to bid farewell to her uncle, Mr. Frank Jones, and family, is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. J. Fitzgibbon, of West Scranton, grand treasurer of the Young Men's Institute, left yesterday morning for Atlantic City to attend a meeting of the grand officers.

Mr. P. J. Tooley, of North Lincoln avenue, landed in New York on Thursday last, after a most delightful two months' European trip made in company with her brother, Dr. J. P. Nolan, and Mrs. Anna James Miller. Her tour embraced London, the Paris exposition and points in Switzerland and Italy, returning from Naples by way of the Mediterranean sea on the North German Lloyd steamship, Kaiser Wilhelm II.

Mr. Ray Fuller is at home from St. Louis, Missouri, and is spending a few days in the island. Miss Eleanor Anderson is visiting friends in West Chester.

Mr. C. C. Conkling and family have removed to Buffalo, N. Y.

HER POINT OF VIEW

WE ARE AS capricious and volatile as the French. Two years ago this Fourth of July we were with joy over Santiago. This week we have forgotten that Santiago's victory ever happened to make our national holiday more glorious.

The name of Roosevelt continues to arouse enthusiasm for political purposes only, but most of us who have seen and experienced him in the past are convinced that he was not such a governor; that he was playing to the galleries and that it was time we had a new hero, anyway.

If we devote a little time to studying the matter, we shall discover that Teddy is the stuff they make real heroes of and that if we only don't endow him with all the qualities which the gods of Olympus were supposed to possess—qualities, by the way, which Teddy would object to marking as his own—and expect him to live up to these visionary plans and specifications of ours, he will probably turn out to be the most satisfactory live hero that we have exploited for some time. Fortunately for his prospects and our vanity he doesn't intend to be a hero, and then, too, he has a sensible wife, which goes a long way in his favor, and will help us from suffering considerable mortification.

Last September we acted like a nation of daff people over Dewey. The things we were willing to do for him would have turned the head of a marble statue on a pedestal. Perhaps it turned his a little. More likely it made the simple-hearted, kind old sailor believe we meant it all. He didn't realize that the splendid, glittering pedestal which the nation of heroes within our gates then have been particularly impressed with the desirability of our civilization, our faith and wisdom? In the restless, endless struggle of our world between capital and labor and the masses, would our special forms and ceremonies appear any more delectable than those in which the myriad gods of the earth and the sky and the sea appear to the Oriental?

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perhaps live more than the apathetic ones who suffer least in the case under discussion possibly it would be better for all civilized human beings to bet a little time from their work or amusements to realize the full measure of this Oriental catastrophe. Possibly in some faint millennial dawn, powerful nations will take the same precautions with their citizens regarding permission for them to go unprotected among ferocious heathens, as they exercise in districts infected by a noxious contagion. It is a little puzzling to lay down a plan for immediate relief of a few beleaguered friends to whom life is sweet when they are surrounded by millions of fanatics, to whom life means nothing and death, if it were possible, still less.

Most Christians believe in foreign missionary work. It is definitely stated that the church, which takes little interest in missions suffers from atrophy and its home destiny is marred. The awful conditions in China today are enough to set even the most impassioned advocates of foreign missions to questioning. What chance has a handful of white missionaries among more millions of people than are to be found elsewhere in the world, and against whose fanatical impulses no foreigner is competent to cope? What good can the native converts do if in those fearful uprisals they must lose their lives? Why do not Americans in particular attempt more in the way of evangelization of all the world as it is brought to their own doors?

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of course it must be a wonderful thing to be able to say, as the missionary can in the Orient, "I secured 1,250 converts today. He could not do that in America, yet there is reason to believe the results of his labors here might be of more permanent character.

The man who goes to China to save souls for Christ, and there meets a tragic fate at the hands of the Boxers, a face whose wretchedness is infinitely increased perhaps by being forced to witness the murder of his helpless wife and little children, surely deserves a martyr's crown, but, looking from our far, safe distance, shut the eyes of our imagination for the unspeakable horror of it all and wonder blindly "what is the use?"

Do the heathen in our own land find us so angelic in our methods, so pure in our motives, so wise in our dealings with each other and with them, that our religion or our teachings would seem worthy of all desire? Would the heathen, looking on the North River, the other day when the Hoboken piers were burning, and when burning men and women leaned frenzied from narrow port-holes, and when civilized and probable Christian tugboat captain refused aid to drowning victims—would the heathen within our gates then have been particularly impressed with the desirability of our civilization, our faith and wisdom? In the restless, endless struggle of our world between capital and labor and the masses, would our special forms and ceremonies appear any more delectable than those in which the myriad gods of the earth and the sky and the sea appear to the Oriental?

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The only company which will play the original "The Fifth Avenue" in this country, next season, in addition to those to be given by Miss Olga Nethersole, will be under the management of Messrs. William A. Brady and Joseph H. Forman. They own the rights to all the titles which will not be visited by Miss Nethersole and her company. The demand for this production is so great that Messrs. Brady and Forman will send the strongest company they can gather to give adequate portrayal of the many roles.

Klaw & Erlanger are very busy with their preparations for the production of the new Smith and Shubert opera, "The Quaker," which they will make elaborate effort as has been seen in some of the opera. The models of the scenes submitted by Ernest Gray indicate a most generally magnificent equipment. The season of 125 people employed in the new opera, who will be supplied with 350 costumes, requiring an enormous outlay of money. Such a lavish costume display has never before been contemplated by an American management. Novel electrical effects will be made a feature in the staging of the piece. "The Quaker" will be presented in New York for a run in November.

The Klaw & Erlanger comedy company, headed by Gus and Max Rogers, in "The Rogers Brothers in Central Park," will be a notable organization because of the number of young artists who will appear in it. The principal female roles will be played by Grace Froum, Emma Francis, Josephine Bacon, Edith St. Clair, Harry Waters, Mae Taylor, Midge Pierce, Gertrude Sage, Leonard Duett and Margaret Stewart. Beside these pretty girls there will be a chorus of sixty as handsome and shapely young women as the stage can boast. The principal supporting male characters will be played by Eugene O'Rourke, William West, Lee Harrison and John Page.

Augustus Thomas has spent the greater part of the last three months in Texas in search of the best spots for his dramatic play, "The Gettysburg Massacre," in which Joseph Brooks will star Maclay Arbuckle. It is understood that the leading character in the story will be a young Texas lawyer and politician, Mr. Arbuckle, who was formerly a lawyer in Texas and a shining light at the Bowie bar till his defeat for justice of the peace by a greener leg in a recent election as a result of his association with Peter Baker, the German comedian. This incident discredited a legal genius and gave to the American stage its most promising young comedian.

Klaw & Erlanger have secured Della Fox Last Tuesday she signed a contract with them to play under their direction for a term of years. During the coming season she will appear as "Belle" with the specialty young artist in "The Klaw & Erlanger Comedy company in "The Rogers Brothers in Central Park." John J. McNally will write a part especially for her in this humorous vaudeville skit. The season of 1901-2 Klaw & Erlanger will place Miss Fox at the head of her own company in a play which will be written for her. Miss Fox has entirely recovered from her recent severe illness and her friends and admirers will undoubtedly be pleased to learn that she has so speedily resumed her former engagement with flattering prospects for the following years.

The part of Philomena Henston, for which Burr McIntosh is cast in "Janice Meredith," is exactly suited to him. In the opening chapter of the story Philomena is an innocent, young countryman, a loyalist, who receives a message to New York to General Howe notifying him of Washington's lack of gun powder. The British place in his conditions in him and he is drafted, to join the English army, and, as the story progresses, rises to a rank of major, becoming a manly, cultured gentleman and a trusted official officer who remembers the fate of the British in the hands of the French in "The Winter's Tale" will look forward with special interest to his coming appearance in support of Mary Manning in the part of Philomena Henston.

One of last season's biggest successes on Broadway was the Brady & Ziegfeld production of the English melodrama, "Woman and Wine." It will be seen in the larger cities outside of New York next season, interpreted by the largest company ever yet on the road in a melodramatic production. The play is headed to the limit with thrills and scenes that are sure provokers to an unusual degree. The full room scene of this production which costs more money than is expended on many very pretentious melodramas, Mr. Brady has already engaged many of the players for next season who were with the original production during its run at the Manhattan Theatre.

Shakespeare's fantastic but beautiful comedy, "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream," is to be revived on a big scale next season by Messrs. Wagners, J. K. Sawyer, with Louis James at Belmont and Kathryn Ridder as Helena. The success that these managers have had in Shakespearean revivals, notably in that of "The Winter's Tale," has given them the most substantial encouragement to produce the same play next season. "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream" is to be presented with all the scenic elaboration that would be calculated to develop its highest possibilities. Fine electrical effects will be employed to enhance an entirely new and very elaborate scenic mounting and rich new costumes will be made for the production. Mr. Louis James will play Belmont, a part that has not been played by such a distinguished actor in many years, and yet one in which there are fine possibilities for characteristic Shakespearean comedy, casts the Kilder, who has been very enthusiastically received for both her Perdita and Hermione in "The Winter's Tale," will play Helena.

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China is a long way off and few of us have heard and dear ones in that far-off country, where those of our own race have probably suffered death in its most horrible form. We read the dispatches and shudder a little as we say, "How perfectly terrible!" and then straightaway we try to forget it all and think of something pleasant like golf or a summer trip. For us it is not true that the butchery is taking place, for we refuse to think of it or see it in imagination. Yet because we shut our eyes to the awful spectacle does not prove its non-existence. This system, recommended by the tenets of a certain faith, that we must not expend sympathy on the sufferings of others since suffering does not really exist is a sort of excuse for selfishness. We are much more comfortable when we do not allow our eyes to rest upon sorrowful scenes or our ears to hear the wailing of grief. The method surely does not add to the happiness of the world, in that if we allow ourselves to weep for others' we thus increase the sum total of misery by our tears. Perhaps, too, our grief can give neither solace nor satisfaction to the afflicted. It is true no sign of ours can aid the white victims of fanaticism in China, so why make ourselves wretched? The theory sounds all right except to cut off the well springs of natural sympathy, to destroy much of the subtle undercurrents of life that make it worth living. We who are endowed with a great capacity for both joy and sorrow

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